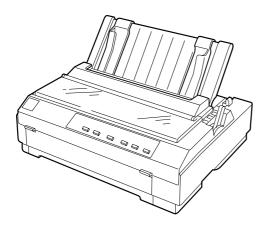
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24-Pin Dot Matrix Printer

LQ-580 LQ-570e

Quick Reference Guide



Read your *User's Guide* first for complete instructions, and then use this guide any time you need information about the topics in this guide.

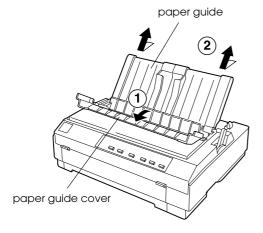
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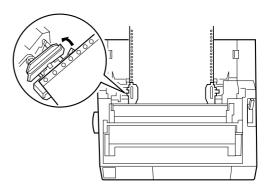
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Loading Continuous Paper Onto the Push Tractor

To load continuous paper onto the rear push tractor, follow these steps:



Turn off the printer, then open the paper guide cover and remove the paper guide.



Open both sprocket covers, and fit the first three holes of the paper, printable side down, over the tractor pins. Then close the sprocket covers.

Note:

Load continuous paper that has a clean, straight edge to avoid paper jams.

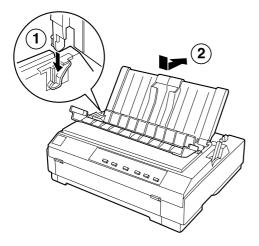


To feed continuous paper to the standby position where you can remove it easily, press the Load/Eject button.



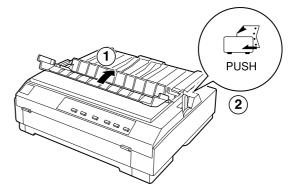
When you load continuous paper of a different size or thickness, adjust the position of the sprockets or change the paper thickness lever setting. See Chapter 2 of the *User's Guide* for instructions.

3



Attach the paper guide, then lift the center section of the paper guide up and lay it flat.

4



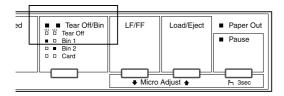
Close the paper guide cover, and make sure the paper release lever is set to the push tractor position.

Removing the Printed Document From the Push Tractor

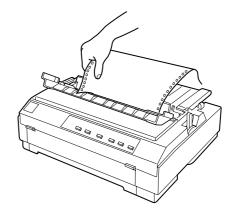
To remove the printed document from the push tractor, follow the steps below. To remove labels or continuous paper from the pull tractor, see Chapter 2 of the *User's Guide*.

1

Make sure the Tear Off/Bin lights are flashing. (You may need to press the Tear Off/Bin button.) This indicates that your paper is at the current tear-off position.



2



Open the paper path guide cover, and tear off the printed document using the printer's tear-off edge.



When you resume printing, the printer automatically feeds the paper backward to the top-of-form position, and begins printing.



To feed continuous paper backward from the tear-off position into the standby position, press the Load/Eject button.

Removing Continuous Paper With Labels

To avoid peeling labels off the backing sheet and jamming the printer, follow the steps below when you remove continuous paper with labels from the pull tractor.



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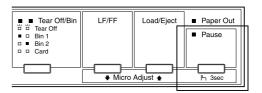
When you load labels, be sure to use the tractor in the pull position and load the labels from the front or bottom. Do not load continuous paper with labels in the rear paper slot: the labels may come off their backing sheet inside the printer and cause a paper jam.

Note:

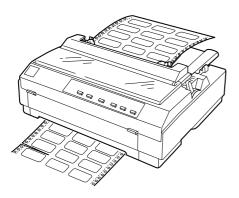
See your User's Guide for details on using the pull tractor.

1

Make sure that the printer is not printing. You may need to press the Pause button to pause the printer. (When the printer is paused, the Pause light is on.)



2



Tear off the supply of continuous labels at the perforation nearest the paper entry slot.

3

Hold down the LF/FF button to eject the remaining labels from the printer.



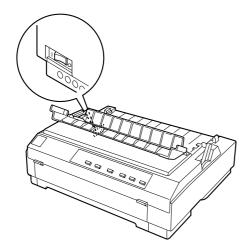
Caution:

Never feed labels backward using the Load/Eject or Tear Off/Bin button. When fed backward, labels can easily come off the backing sheet and cause a paper jam.

Replacing the Ribbon Cartridge

Your printer uses an EPSON black ribbon cartridge #7753 or EPSON film ribbon cartridge #7768. To replace the ribbon cartridge, follow the steps below.

1



Turn off the printer. The power switch is located on the left side of the printer.



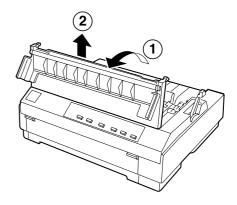
Caution:

Moving the print head while the printer is on may damage the printer.

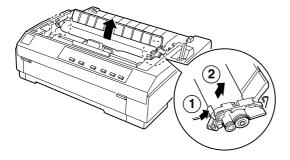
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Unplug the printer from the electrical outlet.

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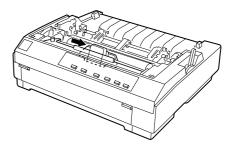


Open the paper guide cover. Then lift the printer cover by its back edge and pull it straight up and off. 4



Push up the tabs on each side of the paper tension unit and lift the unit up and off the printer. Store the paper tension unit in a safe place. When the pull tractor is installed, it is not necessary to remove the paper tension unit.

5



Make sure the print head is not hot; if it is, let it cool for a few minutes before touching it. Then slide the print head to the middle of the printer by hand.